

AN ACT concerning mental health.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Mental Health and Developmental
Disabilities Administrative Act is amended by adding Section
12.2 as follows:

(20 ILCS 1705/12.2 new)

Sec. 12.2. Mental Health Commitment Training.

(a) The Department shall develop and present annually at least one training event for judges, state's attorneys, public defenders, private attorneys, law enforcement personnel, hospital and community agency personnel, persons with mental illness, physicians, psychologists, social workers, emergency room personnel, and other health care personnel regarding mental illness, the standards for civil commitment and involuntary treatment, completing documentation, and changes in the Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Code and Mental Health and Developmental Disabilities Confidentiality Act.

(b) The Department may provide multiple training events, regional training events, and training events by professional discipline. The materials developed for the training events shall be made available on the Department's website. The Department shall develop this training in cooperation with the Administrative Office of the Illinois Courts, bar associations, the Illinois Law Enforcement Standards and Training Board, appropriate statewide organizations representing health care providers, organizations representing or advocating for persons with mental illness, and any appropriate statewide organization of licensed professionals.

(c) The Department shall annually report on the number of persons attending the training events.

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon becoming law.